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United States Patent No. 4,029,876 to Beaty et al issued June 14, 1977;  
United States Patent No. 4,692,380 to Reid issued September 8, 1987;  
United States Patent No. 4,892,851 to Ewen et al issued January 9, 1990;  
United States Patent No. 5,225,500 to Elder issued July 6, 1993;  
United States Patent No. 5,243,002 to Razavi issued September 7, 1993;  
United States Patent No. 5,573,723 to Peiffer et al issued November 12, 1996;  
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United States Patent No. 5,206,075 to Hodgson issued April 27, 1993;  
United States Patent No. 6,017,615 to Thakker et al issued January 25, 2000.  
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European Patent Office Patent 0668157 issued August 23, 1995;  
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The following references were cited by the Office in the Prior Application and,  
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U.S. Patent No. 5,254,394 to Bothe et al issued October 1993;

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